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SUBJ: ON EVE OF VIENNA II: THE VIEW FROM CYPRUS

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1. CLERIDES AND DENKTASH LEAVE JUNE 3 FOR VIENNA II. EN ROUTE, EACH WILL HAVE DAY OF TALKS WITH HIS RESPECTIVE "MATERNAL FATHERLAND". NEITHER MAN -- AND CERTAINLY NOT UNSYG SPECIAL REP WECKMANN -- HARBORS ILLUSIONS ABOUT VIENNA II. AS SEEN BY WECKMANN AND THE TWO NEGOTIATORS, MAXIMUM THEY LIKELY ATTAIN IS GOOP ATMOSPHERICS, WITH HOPEFULLY ENOUGH MOMENTUM TO GET PAST UNSC DEBATE (ON UNSYG REPORT AND UNFICYP MANDATE RENEWAL) AND ON TO FURTHER MEETINGS. (NEW YORK, ACAPULCO, VIENNA ARE ALL POSSIBILITIES.)

2. WECKMANN RETAINS A DETACHMENT AND DRIVE WHICH (IN ADDITION TO VIGOROUS EFFORTS USG HAS MADE, WALDHEIM'S ENGAGEMENT, AND SOME GOG/GOT SUPPORT) OFFER MAIN GROUNDS FOR HOPE THAT EXERCISE WILL
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YIELD A POSITIVE RESULT.

3. ON DEBIT SIDE, HOWEVER, CLERIDES AND DENKTASH TAKE WITH THEM A PALTRY FOLLOW-UP TO VIENNA I. ONLY CONCRETE ACHIEVEMENT CONCERNS DECISION TO REPAIR NICOSIA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. UN HAS ANNOUNCED THAT WORK WILL BEGIN JUNE 3. IN HANDFUL OF MEETINGS, EXPERTS COMMITTEE DID LITTLE. IT DID NOT, CONTRARY TO UNDERTAKING IN MAY 4 COMMUNIQUE, "EXAMINE DETAILED PROPOSALS" FOR NEGOTIATORS. MOREOVER, DENKTASH REPORTEDLY WILL BE UNABLE TO SET FORTH "CONCRETE POSITIONS" ON GEOGRAPHY, DISPLACED PERSONS: HE DECLARED JUNE 2 THAT HE WILL ONLY BE ABLE DISCUSS "GENERAL LINES" OF PROBLEM AT VIENNA II.

4. IN THIS RATHER BLEAK SITUATION CLERIDES IS TOYING ANEW WITH THOUGHTS OF RESIGNATION. MEANWHILE, DENKTASH AND HIS TFSC CONTINUE SLOW DRIFT TOWARD MURKY INDEPENDENCE. ALREADY ANNOYED BY GOC SUCCESS IN STRASBOURG DEBATE, DENKTASH HAS DECLARED THAT RECENT EEC DECISION TO HOLD ASSOCIATION MEETING IN NICOSIA JUNE 24 WILL "PUSH TFSC A STEP FURTHER TOWARD FULL INDEPENDENCE" (REF FBIS TA022025Z JUNE). TFSC HAS RECHEDULED ITS CONSTITUTIONAL REFERENDUM FOR JUNE 8: A CRUDE BUT CLEVER EXERCISE OF PRESSURE ON VIENNA II, BUT CLEARLY ONE WHICH LIKELY TO JEOPARDIZE CHANCES OF POSITIVE OUTCOME. PRESENT EVIDENCE IS THAT DATE WILL HOLD, BUT EVENTS IN VIENNA OR ANKARA COULD POSSIBLE BRING ABOUT ANOTHER POSTPONEMENT.
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